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TWENTY-EIGHTH YEAR.

COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI, THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1907.

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CITY PURCHASES NEW GRAVEL PIT

THE CITY COUNCIL DECIDED AT
RECENT MEETING TO PUR-
CHASE A GRAVEL PIT
FROM LOCAL MAN.

The Pit Cost Five Hundred Dollars;
Fire Department Increased by
Addition of One New Man
to the Present Force.

City Hall, Columbus, Miss.,
August 6th, 1907.

At a regular meeting of the Council held this date there were present the Mayor, E. S. Donnell, and Councilmen Weaver, Stevens, Walker, McClanahan, Moore and Gardner.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The City Marshal's report of collections for the month of July was read and ordered spread on the minutes, and is as follows:

Fines	\$ 138.00
Water rents	3,000.51
Privilege licenses	57.50
Delinquent street tax	27.00
Leases in part	2,166.96
Pound fees	8.75
Sale of manure	2.90
Postoffice rent, 2nd quarter	75.00

Total.....\$5,476.62

"The above amount has been paid the Treasurer, and I hold his receipt for same." M. C. Vandiver, Marshal, "August 1, 1907."

Mr. C. F. Sherrod was before the Council and reported the sewer connection of the Quinn House in a very dangerous condition, and made request that the Council look into the matter at once and afford the needed relief.

The report of the Engineer of the Water Works and that of the Street Commissioner were read and ordered filed, and the recommendation of the Street Commissioner, that the city have built concrete bridges at the intersection of Second and Third avenues and Fifteenth street North, was deferred for the present.

A petition, signed by sundry residents of Ward 3, asking for an arched light at the intersection of Second avenue and Ninth street South, was read, and on motion of Councilman Weaver, seconded by Councilman Walker, same was ordered filed, and that when the city is in position to furnish additional lights the petition would be recalled. So ordered.

The Treasurer's financial report for July 1 to August 1, 1907, was read, ordered spread on the minutes, and is as follows:

July, 1907.—Bond Account:

1. Balance	\$42,820.40
1-31. McClanahan, Jno.	\$ 1,000.00
Freight on hydrants	168.00
Frt. on chem. wagon	40.55
Jacobs, F.M., 1st est.	2,600.00
Frt. car of pipe	50.53
Roberts Mfg. Co.	50.00
Roberts Mfg. Co.	1,309.53
Roberts Mfg. Co.	100.00
Bal. to Aug. acct.	37,501.79

Total.....\$42,820.40

1907.—General Account:

1. Balance	\$ 5,325.39
Fines	17.00
General licenses	505.00
Street tax	6.00
Sidewalk collect'ns.	476.95
Pound fees	5.50
Sale city ordinance	2.00
Sale street to McClanahan	100.00
Prison fees	.17

Total.....\$ 6,438.01

1-31. Fire department \$ 642.63 |

Lights 615.60 |

Streets 501.41 |

Salaries 886.83 |

Incidentals 22.15 |

Bal. to Aug. acct. 3,769.39 |

Total.....\$ 6,438.01

1907.—School Account:

31. Bal. to Aug. acct. \$ 356.70 |

1. Balance 326.40 |

Nash, S. M. 28.30 |

Telephone 2.00 |

Total.....\$ 356.70

1907.—Water and Sewerage Acct:

1. Water rents \$ 475.68 |

Sale meters 50.50 |

Bal. to Aug. acct. \$,042.94 |

Total.....\$ 8,569.12

1. Balance	\$ 7,617.87
1-31. Labor	320.50
Incidentals	630.75
Total.....	\$ 8,569.12

A petition signed by the policemen of the city asking for an increase in salary of \$10.00 per month was read, and on motion of Councilman Weaver, seconded by Councilman McClanahan, owing to the absence of some of the Council, action was deferred until next meeting.

A petition from Chief Lang of the Fire Department, requesting the Council to increase his force by one man, was read. Councilman Weaver, of the Fire Committee, stated that in his opinion another man was needed at the Fire Department, and on motion of Councilman Moore, seconded by Councilman McClanahan, the following order prevailed:

"That one more fireman be added to the force at once, and the chief be instructed to select a suitable man subject of course to the approval of the Fire Committee, and that the salary of the man added is fixed the same as the other firemen are paid."

Councilman Walker, of the School Committee, reported that his committee advised laying the following walks at the new School at once: Entrance walks to the east, south and west doors, as well as walks connecting the east and west entrance walks with the south entrance walk.

Weaver by Moore: That the matter of laying walks at the new school house be referred to the School Committee and Mayor, with power to act. So ordered.

The Mayor reported, on behalf of the Street Committee, that upon further examination he found the gravel bed as offered by Mr. Sherrod to contain more gravel and clay than was first thought, and recommended the purchase of this property at and for the sum of \$500; whereupon Councilman Moore, duly seconded by Councilman Weaver, offered the following motion:

"That the city purchase the gravel bed from Mr. Sherrod, and upon deed being made by Mr. Sherrod to the city, that the Treasurer is authorized to draw his check as Treasurer of the city in favor of Mr. Sherrod in the sum of \$500.00." So ordered.

The Street Committee reported that they had made satisfactory arrangements for dumping the garbage of the city, and that the Street Commissioner had been duly notified.

Weaver by Moore: Ordered that a cement bridge be built at the intersection of Third avenue and Fifteenth street North, and that the bid of L. J. Kelly to build same at and for the sum of 25 cents per cubic foot be accepted.

McClanahan by Moore: That the matter of relieving the situation as to sewer for block 10, south of Main street, as well as adequate sewer connection for the new school, be referred to the Street Committee with power to act. So ordered.

The Council adjourned to meet tomorrow evening, August 7, 1907.

Attest: I. H. Sykes, Secretary.

City Hall, Columbus, Miss.,

August 7th, 1907.

At a regular adjourned meeting of the City Council held this date, there were present the Mayor, E. S. Donnell, and Councilmen Weaver, Stevens, Walker, McClanahan, Moore and Gardner.

Mr. Kirkpatrick was before the Council and stated that he had looked over the situation as to proper sewer connection for the new school and would upon his return to Jackson submit drawings and estimates of cost of the proposed extension. As to the matter of proper sewer connection for the Quinn House, he recommended that the owner of this property connect with the Merchants' block sewer at the intersection of Fourth street and Third avenue South. Mr. Kirkpatrick also reported that the laying of water pipe by Mr. Buckhalter was progressing fairly well; he thought that now in a few days their working force would be augmented by expert workmen from Birmingham, and that the work would then progress nicely.

Councilman Moore, seconded by Councilman Weaver, moved that the report of the judges of the election held August 1, 1907, be read and spread upon the minutes, as follows:

"Columbus, Miss., Aug. 1, 1907.
"To the Honorable Mayor and City Council, City of Columbus, Miss.:

"Gentlemen—We, the undersigned judges and clerks duly appointed and

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THE NATIONAL GUARD THANKS THE CITIZENS OF COLUMBUS

Division Headquarters, M. N. G.,

August 15th, 1907.

To Hon. E. S. Donnell, Mayor City of Columbus, Miss.:

Sir—On behalf of the Mississippi National Guard, and expressing the sentiment of officers and men, I want to thank you and the citizens of the splendid city of Columbus for their efforts to make the present encampment a success. The preparations made before our coming, the royal welcome accorded us, and the more than royal treatment received from your excellent citizenship, will always live in the hearts of the guardsmen and officers as a sweet and tender memory, and it is their hope that next year we may renew the friendship so auspiciously begun, and have the exceedingly great pleasure of assembling at Camp Columbus in annual encampment.

Again cordially thanking the people of your city for the uniform kindness and courtesy to us, and especially thanking the ladies who have lent the presence of their unequal Southern charm to this encampment, and with the very best wishes of the Mississippi National Guard for each one of you, I beg to remain,

Very respectfully,

S. R. Keesler,

Major General Commanding.

HENRY NOLAND MET A FEARFUL DEATH

WELL KNOWN COLUMBIAN WAS
ACCIDENTALLY KILLED ON
SOUTHERN RAILWAY
ON WEDNESDAY.

Was Making Coupling at Covin, Ala.,
When the Train Crushed Into
Him, Inflicting Injuries
Which Proved Fatal.

Mr. Henry Noland, a well-known resident of this city, who for some time past has been employed as flagman on the Southern Railway, met with an accident while in pursuance of his duties last Wednesday afternoon which proved almost instantly fatal. Mr. Noland, at the time of the accident, was running as flagman on eastbound local freight No. 63, in charge of Conductor Larry Brown and Engineer Fred Powers. The train reached Covin, Ala., about three o'clock Wednesday afternoon, and Mr. Noland was engaged in making a coupling when he got caught between the bumpers and his chest was crushed fearfully. The accident proved almost instantly fatal. Mr. Noland having expired a few minutes after he had been extricated from his hazardous position between the cars.

The body was brought to Columbus by the train on which Mr. Noland was running when he met his death. The train arrived here about six o'clock Wednesday afternoon and the body was taken to the undertaking establishment of the Messrs. Gunter Brothers, where it was prepared for burial.

Mr. Noland was well known in Columbus, having been a resident of this city since boyhood. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Noland, and besides his parents, three brothers and a sister, he leaves a wife and two small children to mourn his loss.

The funeral occurred at the residence of the father of the deceased, Mr. H. M. Noland, No. 605 Military road, at 4:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, having been conducted by Rev. J. W. Shoaff, D. D., pastor of the First Methodist church, assisted by Rev. Roy Chandler, pastor of the Southeast Baptist church. The interment was at Friendship cemetery, Messrs. Harry Albright, Robert Albright, Louis Shull, Fred Shull, J. H. Bell and Luther Littleton having officiated as pall bearers.

LOCALS STRIKE A WINNING STREAK

THE DISCOVERERS BROKE EVEN
WITH MERIDIAN IN A SE-
RIES OF FOUR GAMES
ON HOME GROUNDS.

The Locals Also Took Four Straights
From Gulfport—The Locals
Will be at Home During
the Coming Week.

The Meridian series closed with a double-header Wednesday afternoon, and honors were evenly divided, Columbus having won the first game by a score of five to two, while Meridian took the second with a one-nothing score. The event was in some respects remarkable, as only two pitchers worked during the afternoon, Sample having pitched both games for Meridian, while Wheeler performed a similar stunt for Columbus. Both men were in good form and both worked effectively. The two games netted a total of eight runs, five of which were made by Columbus and three by Meridian. The second game consisted of only seven innings, and neither side scored until the final round, when an error on the part of a local fielder permitted Meridian to secure one run.

Gulfport opened here Thursday afternoon, and Columbus won the opening game by a two-nothing score. Bishop was on the local firing line, and clipped the wings of the "Sea Gulls" in the first inning. He allowed but four scattered hits, and during the entire contest not a single visitor got beyond second base. He received admirable support in the field, Marshall having made a sensational catch which brought the spectators to their feet, and Huber, as usual, having turned a number of pretty plays.

Columbus made her two runs in the sixth, when Bishop and May hit safe and Marshall rapped out a two-bagger, scoring them both.

Ryan was in the box for Gulfport, and not only pitched good ball, but received splendid support in the field. The locals outthit the visitors, however, and won the game by their superior stick work.

Columbus and Gulfport played a double-header Friday afternoon, and the locals were victorious in both games, having won the first by a score of twelve to four, while the

second contest resulted in a score of six to three in their favor. Wheeler pitched the first game for the Discoverers, and not only twirled brilliantly, but got in some good stick work, having rapped out a three-bagger. Gulfport worked three pitchers, Lively, Ryan and Bryant having been called upon by Manager Gilks in his frantic effort to stop the run-getting on the part of the locals. The Columbians had a batting streak, however, and twelve of them made a circuit of the bases ere the game ended.

In the second game, which consisted of seven innings, May was in the local rifle pit, and acquitted himself most creditably, having pitched an uphill game, which he finally won. The visitors made their three runs in the third inning, up to which time not a single Columbian had crossed home plate. But the Discoverers soon got in the game, having made one run in the fourth, three in the fifth and two in the sixth. May received clock work support in the field, not a single error having been credited to the locals.

Columbus made it four straights from Gulfport yesterday afternoon, having won a ten inning game by a score of three to two. Pete Cox pitched for the locals, while Lively did the twirling for the Sailors.

The Columbus baseball team is improving, having won five out of the eight games which were played here against Meridian and Gulfport last week. The locals will remain at home all next week, playing Mobile Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and concluding their long stay here with a series of three games against Vicksburg on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The Vicksburg series will be especially interesting, as it will introduce to local fans "Rabbit" Plass, the fast Southern League short stop, who was with Memphis for quite a long time and who recently joined Blackburn's hustling pennant chasers. The Columbians will leave here next Saturday night for Vicksburg, and after a two weeks' trip on the road will return home September 3rd and remain until September 13th, playing two games each with Meridian, Jackson, Vicksburg, Gulfport and Mobile in the order named. These will be the last games played here, the locals playing in Vicksburg on September 15th and 16th, and going thence to Jackson, where they close the season.

A Peculiar Accident.

Mr. Chas. Brown, a popular Southern Railway engineer living in this city, met with a peculiar accident on Thursday night last. Mr. Brown was running on eastbound passenger train No. 38, and at a point about midway between Stewart and Tomnolen discovered that the electric headlight on the engine was not burning. He started out to fix the light, and making a mistep in the darkness fell off the running board. Gus Robertson, the negro fireman, missed Mr. Brown, and seeing that he was neither on the running board nor on the cow-catcher in front of the locomotive, reversed his lever and ran the train backward. After having gone backward a few hundred yards Mr. Brown was found sitting beside the track. He had fallen from the running board, and knowing that the train would not proceed to Columbus without him sat down and calmly awaited its return. While he received several bruises as a result of the fall he was not painfully hurt, and brought the train on into Columbus.

Will Not Handle Commercial Business.

The telegraph operators on the Montgomery division of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad have all agreed not to handle any commercial business during the strike of the telegraph operators, and no messages for either the Western Union or Postal Cable will be transmitted over the railroad wires. It is understood that the same conditions prevail on the main line of the Mobile & Ohio and on the Southern, and that no commercial business will be handled by any of the railway telegraphers.

The First Cotton Boll.

The first open cotton boll of the season reached this office last week. It was plucked Monday, and came from the plantation of Mr. James G. Woods, about seven miles east of this city.

Regular night session at the Safety Rollaway Rink Tuesday night, closing session Friday night.

CAMP FIRES NO LONGER GLEAM

MEMBERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI
NATIONAL GUARD HAVE
DEPARTED, AND CAMP
IS NOW DESERTED.

The Encampment Was a Great Success, and its Close Brought Regret to Both the Soldiers and Citizens of City.

The encampment is now a thing of the past, the soldiers having broke camp Thursday and having returned to their homes in various sections of the State Thursday afternoon. The work of packing began on Thursday morning, and the soldiers commenced to leave the camp early in the afternoon. The first companies to leave the camp were those from various towns and cities in the western section. These commands left on a special train over the Southern Railway at an early hour Thursday afternoon and were quickly followed by the remaining companies, the evening sun having set on a camp ground which was practically deserted.

The encampment was one of the most delightful in the history of the Mississippi National Guard, and its closing days were fraught with numerous pleasures for both officers and men. On Wednesday the members of the National Guard entertained the Confederate veterans of Lowndes county at a delightful barbecue, and many of the old heroes of the civil war were present to enjoy the hospitality of the military men of a younger generation. The idea of entertaining the veterans at a barbecue was conceived by Col. Jno. P. Mayo, and it was a source of universal regret that the accident which befell him during the early part of the encampment prevented him from being present. The barbecue was served at Gen. Keesler's headquarters, and the elaborate menu was enjoyed by a body of men representing the acme of Southern chivalry and patriotism. Col. W. Calvin Wells officiated as toastmaster, and the first speaker introduced was Gen. Stephen D. Lee, the distinguished commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans. Gen. Lee delivered an address pregnant with patriotism and abounding in praise for the prowess and bravery of the citizen soldiery of Mississippi. The next speaker was Rev. W. T. Bolling, D. D., chaplain general of the Mississippi National Guard. Dr. Bolling is at all times an interesting speaker, and the stirring war scenes which the faces of the gallant veterans brought to mind caused words of burning eloquence to flow from his lips, his speech having been received with enthusiastic applause. Col. W. M. Hammer, assistant paymaster on Gen. Keesler's staff, spoke on behalf of Gen. Keesler and the distinguished body of soldiers which he commands, and delivered a neat little speech in which he told the veterans in what great esteem they are held by his comrades and what a pleasure it was to have the old warriors as their guests. Short addresses were also delivered by Gen. E. T. Sykes and Hon. J. T. Harrison, and the occasion was a great success, having been greatly enjoyed by both the National Guardsmen and their distinguished guests.

The Columbus Riflemen also entertained at a barbecue on Wednesday. A large number of guests were present and the occasion was a most delightful one. The Riflemen had their quarters attractively fitted up and maintained an elegant cuisine and entertained lavishly during the encampment. Their quarters formed a popular rendezvous for visitors, and their friends were accorded a cordial welcome at all times.

On Wednesday evening the ladies of the different city churches gave an entertainment in honor of the Division Y. M. C. A. The entertainment took place at the pavilion near division headquarters, and a splendid program was rendered. Besides instrumental selections by the regimental band, there were vocal numbers by Miss Ida Lee Bealle, Miss Mary Lou Peyton, Miss Madden of St. Louis, and the Natchez Male Quartette. Mrs. Battle K. Sessums acted as accompanist. Rev. B. F. Lewis, chaplain of the Third Infantry, officiated as master of ceremonies, having been assisted by Mr. C. H. Moorman and Mr. Hunter, of the Y. M. C. A.

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